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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/734,167
Confirmation Number	2113
Filing Date	December 15, 2003
First Named Inventor	Yoshihiro KATSUMATA
Group Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	Melanie D. Bissett (parent)
Matter Number	Q78821
Title	INK WASTAGE ABSORBER AND INK SUPPORTER

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time of two-months is submitted herewith.
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature Jennifer Leach Date April 28, 2006